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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 23
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A RESOLUTION to designate a certain segment of State Route
146 in Smithville as the "Othel Smith Boulevard".

WHEREAS, from time to time, this General Assembly has seen fit to name certain public highways to honor those outstanding public servants whose efforts have redounded to the great benefit of all Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, Othel Smith has been instrumental in obtaining the benefits of the Model City's Program for the City of Smithville, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Othel Smith has also been instrumental in developing industry in the City of Smithville through his meritorious public service; and

WHEREAS, Othel Smith was a dedicated public servant during his stellar service as Alderman of the City of Smithville from 1946 to 1958; and

WHEREAS, Othel Smith has continued his outstanding record of public service to the City of Smithville, Tennessee, serving with distinction as Mayor of the City of Smithville from 1958 to 1971; and

WHEREAS, Othel Smith continues to serve all of the citizens of Smithville and DeKalb County by means of his adroit tenure on the Industrial Development Board of the City of Smithville, Tennessee since 1989; and

WHEREAS, Othel Smith has generously given of his time, patience, and expertise to civic, government, and business leaders for half a century; and

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WHEREAS, the Mayor and Councilmen of the City of Smithville, Tennessee, have expressed a desire to name State Route 146 from its intersection with U.S. Highway 70 southward within the corporate limits of the City of Smithville in honor of Othel Smith; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly has always endeavored to comply with the wishes of local governments whenever it has been feasible to do so; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the segment State Route 146 from its intersection with U.S. Highway 70 southward within the corporate limits of the City of Smithville in DeKalb County is hereby designated as the "Othel Smith Boulevard" in honor of this exemplary man's life of public service, integrity, and commitment to the citizens of Smithville and DeKalb County, Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Department of Transportation is hereby directed to erect suitable signs or affix suitable markers so designating such segment of State Route 146 in Smithville as the "Othel Smith Boulevard".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation and that one additional copy be transmitted to the Commissioner of Transportation, with this final clause omitted from such copies.